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**COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES  
SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT**

**HIT SHOOTING  
EVALUATION**

**UNIT:** Pico Rivera Station  
**DATE:** April 16, 2002  
**TIME:** 0214 hours  
**LOCATION:** 11140 Whittier Boulevard, Whittier  
**URN#:** 002-02696-1575-055  
**IAB#:** SH 2061419

**NATURE OF  
INCIDENT:**

On April 16, 2002, at approximately 0214 hours, Deputy Marc Lucio detained the occupants of a stolen vehicle, a male suspect (Eduardo Dominguez) and a female in the parking lot of Travel Inn Motel. Deputy Lucio radioed for assistance and, while waiting, the suspect displayed an assault type rifle. Deputy Wolfhope arrived at the location along with several other units. The suspect refused to comply with the deputies orders to show his hands and surrender. When assisting deputies attempted to forcibly remove the suspect from the vehicle, he attempted to ram his vehicle into them. Deputy Lucio and Deputy Wolfhope fearing for the safety of their fellow deputies each fired one shot, critically injuring the suspect.

**COMPLETED BY:** Sergeant Henry J. Reyes  
Internal Affairs Bureau

**DATE:** April 16, 2002

INVESTIGATIVE SUMMARY  
USE OF DEADLY FORCE  
DEPUTY INVOLVED SHOOTING  
002-02696-1575-055

On Tuesday, April 16, 2002, Sergeants Henry Reyes and Michael Berg, and Lieutenant Donnie Mauldin, of the Internal Affairs Bureau, responded to 11140 Whittier Boulevard, Whittier, regarding an Officer Involved Shooting incident. Upon our arrival, we were briefed by Lieutenant Daniel Rosenberg of the Homicide Bureau. Commanders Cavanaugh and Taylor were present along with Lieutenant Ralph Webb of Risk Management Bureau and members of the Training Bureau.

INVOLVED PERSONNEL

**Deputy Marc Lucio #** [REDACTED]  
Field Operations Region III, Pico Rivera Station, 152F  
2000 - present Pico Rivera Station  
[REDACTED]

**Deputy James Wolfhope #** [REDACTED]  
Field Operations Region III, Pico Rivera Station, 152A  
1998 - present Pico Rivera Station  
[REDACTED]

SUSPECT:

**Dominguez, Eduardo Montes** MH/27, D.O.B. 01-07-75  
At the time of the Officer Involved Shooting incident, Suspect Dominguez was on probation [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] See page 65, Homicide Book for complete criminal history.

WITNESSES:

Knott, Larry	Sergeant
[REDACTED]	Whittier Police Officer
[REDACTED]	Deputy Sheriff
[REDACTED]	Deputy Sheriff
[REDACTED]	Deputy Sheriff
Van Damme, Djoko	Deputy Sheriff
Gutierrez, Greg	Deputy Sheriff
Smith, Robert	Deputy Sheriff
[REDACTED]	

WITNESSES:

INVOLVED EMPLOYEE'S STATEMENTS:

**Deputy Marc Lucio** said he was working routine patrol, driving westbound on Whittier Boulevard, when he saw a vehicle speed up and pull into the Travel Inn Motel. He followed the vehicle into the motel parking lot. He saw a female exit the vehicle and walk toward the office of the motel. He ran a check of the vehicle's license plate via his Mobile Digital Terminal and learned that the vehicle was reported stolen. He requested assistance via his radio and advised that he was holding the male driver of the stolen vehicle at gunpoint. He was advised his closest back up unit was approximately three minutes away. He repeatedly ordered the male suspect to show his hands, but the suspect ignored his orders. The female returned back to the suspect's vehicle. He was not sure if the female was armed, so he ordered the female to get into the suspect's vehicle so he could safely watch both of them.

Lucio again ordered the male suspect to show his hands and the suspect continued to ignore his orders. A Whittier Police Department Officer arrived at his location. He continued to order the male suspect to show his hands and exit the vehicle. He decided to approach the suspect's vehicle on the driver's side as the Whittier Officer simultaneously approached on the passenger side. As they approached, the suspect raised up an assault type rifle and told them, "I'm armed." Both he and the Whittier officer retreated to the back of his car for cover. The Whittier officer then went back to his vehicle and retrieved an MP-5 semi-automatic rifle. He updated assisting units via his radio, advising them that the suspect was armed with an automatic weapon. As additional units arrived, the suspect repositioned his vehicle to a position of advantage. Lucio moved to the rear of his vehicle and ordered the suspect to show his hands, again the suspect ignored his request and moved his vehicle back into a parking stall. Assisting deputies ordered the female to exit the suspect's vehicle, but she ignored their orders. After a short time, the suspect showed his hands and they decided to approach the suspect's vehicle. Assisting deputies pulled the female from the suspect's vehicle as Lucio tried unsuccessfully to break the vehicle's rear driver's side passenger window. Another deputy broke the driver's side window out, while Deputies [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] tried to pull the suspect out of the vehicle.

#### INVOLVED EMPLOYEE'S STATEMENTS:

The suspect refused to exit the vehicle and grabbed toward the assault rifle as deputies tried to pull him out. The suspect put his car in reverse and the deputies backed away as the suspect revved the engine. The suspect's car backed up and struck him (Lucio) in his legs. The suspect simultaneously reached for his weapon again and he (Lucio), fearing for his safety, fired one round from his duty weapon (9mm Beretta). He believes the round struck the suspect in the back or possibly in the back of the head. The suspect went completely limp and he did not fire any additional rounds. Paramedics were called to the location to treat the wounded suspect. Lucio added that he believes the suspect would have engaged him if the Whittier officer had not arrived when he did.

**IAB Note: Deputy Lucio's duty weapon was inspected by Homicide investigators. The weapon contained one round chambered and 14 rounds in the magazine. The weapon had been loaded with a total of 16 rounds.**

**Deputy James Wolfhope** said he was working 152A, a [REDACTED] with his [REDACTED] Deputy Robert Smith. He heard Deputy Lucio's radio broadcast requesting assistance and advising that he was holding a stolen vehicle suspect at gunpoint. He responded to the location and heard Deputy Lucio update information that the suspect was armed with an automatic weapon. He instructed Deputy Smith to get the shotgun out as they arrived at the motel. He saw several other units in the parking lot of the location behind the suspect's vehicle which was facing westbound. He saw two occupants in the stolen vehicle, a male driver and a female passenger, the female appeared to be visibly shaken and upset. He heard deputies order the male to show his hands, the suspect was not complying. He took the shotgun from Deputy Smith and deployed alongside other units on the passenger side. He began shouting commands to the suspect to show his hands. The suspect would raise and then lower both hands, then raise and lower one hand. The suspect then moved his vehicle west 15 to 20 feet into a parking stall.

Wolfhope repositioned himself to the rear driver's side of the suspect's vehicle and could clearly see into the vehicle. He heard Sergeant Knott say that he (Knott) wanted to get the female out of the suspect's vehicle so they could effect the arrest of the male suspect. He saw the male suspect continuously reach down toward the assault rifle. He heard the suspect say that the gun (assault rifle) wasn't real, however the suspect's weapon, based on his military training, appeared to be authentic. He saw Deputy Lucio unsuccessfully attempt to break the driver's side passenger window with his (Lucio's) flashlight. He saw Deputy [REDACTED] use his expandable baton to break out the driver's side window. The driver's door was opened and several deputies ([REDACTED] and [REDACTED]) attempted to pull the suspect from the vehicle while other deputies simultaneously pulled the female from the vehicle. Deputy [REDACTED] was leaning across the suspect and appeared to be attempting to remove the vehicle's ignition key. The suspect's vehicle lunged forward and he yelled at [REDACTED] to get out of the suspect's vehicle.

#### INVOLVED EMPLOYEE'S STATEMENTS:

As the deputies struggled with the suspect, he (Wolfhope) reached into the vehicle and unlocked and opened the rear driver's side passenger door. He could clearly see the suspect's weapon was authentic. He again ordered the suspect to show his hands. Deputy [REDACTED] backed out of the suspect's vehicle as the suspect simultaneously put the vehicle into reverse and reached down toward the assault weapon. The suspect's vehicle lurched backwards. He believed the suspect was attempting to reposition his vehicle to engage them in a gun battle. He fired one shotgun round, striking the suspect in the face. He specifically shot at the suspect's head to immediately eliminate the suspect's threat and prevent any injuries to deputy personnel. The suspect went limp as he reloaded his shotgun and re-assessed the situation. He heard someone request paramedics on the radio. He added that he and the other deputies involved did everything possible to avoid the shooting incident.

**IAB Note: Homicide investigators examined the Ithaca shotgun and found it contained four, double 00, buckshot rounds. The shotgun had been loaded with four rounds. The one expended round had been replaced after the shooting.**

#### WITNESSES STATEMENTS:

**Sergeant Larry Knott** said he was working 150S (field supervisor) when he responded to Lucio's radio request for assistance. When he arrived at the motel he saw three or four other units at the location. He saw a male driver and female passenger inside a vehicle that was parked directly in front of Lucio's vehicle. He heard deputies yelling, "let me see your hands, let me see your hands." He saw the male raise and lower his hands as if he was reaching for something. He told the deputies on scene "hold on guys, lets get the female out of the car." He ordered the female out of the car, but the female did not comply. He saw the male suspect drive the car forward in a westerly direction over a parking stall curb. He was concerned for the safety of the female passenger who seemed to pose no threat. He went up to the passenger side door and opened the door. He pulled the female from the vehicle and pushed her away to another deputy. He said deputies were positioned in a half circle configuration around the back half of the suspect's vehicle.

Knott saw Deputies Lucio and [REDACTED] strike the driver's side windows of the suspect's vehicle. [REDACTED] was successful in breaking the driver's window with his baton. He saw [REDACTED] open the driver's door and saw [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] attempt to pull the suspect from the vehicle. He saw the suspect reach down toward his rifle. The suspect then drove forward over the curb. He continued to yell commands as the suspect put the car in reverse and accelerated. The suspect's vehicle struck Deputy Lucio as the suspect simultaneously began to pull up the assault rifle. He saw Deputy Wolfhope fire one round from his shotgun which struck the suspect. He explained that he did not retreat from his position for two reasons 1) they had the suspect contained at gunpoint, 2) he did not want the suspect to have an opportunity to exit the vehicle and engage them with the assault rifle. He did not have time to go back to his vehicle and retrieve any less than lethal weapons because the incident was rapidly moving, in his opinion, toward a deadly force incident. In retrospect, he believes that they should not have attempted to pull the suspect from the vehicle because the arrest team ([REDACTED] and [REDACTED]) were too exposed.

#### WITNESSES STATEMENTS:

He added that he believes the suspect was waiting for an opportunity to arm himself with the assault rifle and engage the deputies in a gun fight.

**Witness Officer** [REDACTED] said he was monitoring Sheriff's radio when he heard a request for assistance, deputy detaining two at gunpoint in a stolen vehicle. He was nearby and responded to the request because the closest Sheriff's units were several minutes away. When he arrived at the location, he saw a deputy detaining a male and female in a vehicle which was parked in a parking stall. The deputy told him to approach on the passenger side while he (Lucio), approached on the driver's side. As they moved forward, they gave commands to the occupants of the vehicle to show their hands. The female immediately complied and raised her hands, but the male stated, "I have a gun," and showed them an assault rifle. They backed away from the suspect's vehicle and he went back to his own vehicle to retrieve his MP-5 semi-automatic rifle.

The suspect backed his vehicle out of the parking stall as both he and the deputy yelled orders to the suspect to stop and show his hands. They continued yelling orders, and [REDACTED] told the suspect, "don't make me shoot you" and the suspect replied, "it's not loaded." The suspect put his weapon down and moved his vehicle into a parking stall. The suspect continued to reach downward toward his weapon with his right hand. Additional Sheriff's units arrived and they formed a half circle around the rear portion of the suspect's vehicle. A deputy broke out the driver's window and another deputy came around him and pulled the female from the vehicle. Two deputies opened the driver's door and reached in to pull the suspect out of the vehicle. The suspect revved the engine and the suspect's vehicle lunged forward and backwards. The two deputies were either brushed back by the suspect's vehicle or retreated. The suspect reclined his seat, backed his vehicle and dropped his hands. He heard a gunshot and saw the suspect go limp. He was not aware of any tactical plan formulated by the Sheriff's sergeant or Sheriff's personnel.

**Witness Deputy** [REDACTED] said she was working [REDACTED] and responded to Deputy Lucio's request for assistance. She saw Deputy [REDACTED] also responding and followed his vehicle to Lucio's location. Deputy [REDACTED] and Sergeant Knott pulled into the driveway and she pulled in behind the sergeant's vehicle. She took a position behind a van and saw Deputy Lucio and a Whittier officer near the suspect's vehicle. The suspect's vehicle contained a male (driver) and a female (passenger). She heard someone continuously yelling orders to the suspect to show his hands, while the suspect moved his vehicle forward. The male suspect kept putting his hands up and down and was not complying. She heard someone say, "we have to get the female out of the vehicle." She heard someone order the female out of the car and saw the female attempt unsuccessfully to exit the vehicle. She saw that the female had a panicked look on her face as the male drove the vehicle forward into a parking stall. Someone again yelled, "we got to get her out of the vehicle," so she and several other deputies approached the vehicle. She went to the driver's side and saw Deputy Lucio attempt to open the passenger door on the driver's side while several other deputies were on the passenger side of the vehicle. She attempted to open the driver's door so that she could unlock the passenger door, but found that it was locked. She heard someone yelling at the suspect, "keep your hands up, don't move."

#### WITNESSES STATEMENTS:

█████ saw Deputy █████ break open the driver's side window with his baton. She opened the driver's door and simultaneously saw the female being pulled from the vehicle. She saw Deputy █████ attempt to pull the suspect out of the vehicle. The suspect reached down toward his weapon and she leaned into the vehicle and took hold of the suspect's right arm to prevent him from reaching the weapon. She then heard someone yell, "█████ get out of there." As she backed out, she shut off the vehicle's ignition. The suspect restarted the vehicle and pushed her out of the vehicle by using his leg. She fell to the ground, got up and helped Deputies █████ and Sergeant Knott, who were still attempting to pull the suspect from the vehicle. The suspect revved the vehicle's engine and moved the vehicle forward and then backwards. She moved back away from the vehicle to a position next to Deputy Lucio. The suspect continued to rev the engine and move the vehicle forward and then backward again toward both she and Deputy Lucio. As the suspect's vehicle struck both of them (█████ and Lucio), she heard a gunshot. She added that Sergeant Knott instructed her to call for an ambulance.

**Witness Deputy █████** said he was working unit █████ when he responded to Deputy Lucio's request for assistance. When he arrived at Lucio's location, he saw Deputy Lucio and a Whittier Officer detaining a male and female. He took a position of cover and heard Deputy Lucio ordering the male suspect to show his hands. The female was crying and the male was completely ignoring Lucio's orders. The suspect moved his vehicle and it appeared to him that he (suspect) was trying to get out of the driveway but he was blocked by the deputies vehicle. The suspect then moved his car into a parking stall. He repositioned himself as additional units arrived (█████ and Sergeant Knott). The female appeared to be frantic in her attempt to get out of the suspect's vehicle.

He saw Deputy █████ break out the driver's window and Sergeant Knott simultaneously pull the female from the vehicle. He saw █████ and █████ attempt to pull the suspect out of the vehicle and went to assist them. Deputy █████ was leaning across the suspect's body and attempting to take the key out of the vehicle's ignition. He took hold of the suspect's hand to prevent him from reaching his (suspect's) weapon. He saw Deputy █████ being pushed out of the vehicle by the suspect as the vehicle began to lunge forward and backward. Both he and █████ backed away from the vehicle, then he heard a gunshot. He added that during the entire incident, he did not become aware of any plans that were made to coordinate the deputies actions.

**Witness Deputy █████** said he was working unit █████ when he heard deputy Lucio's call for assistance. Deputy Lucio advised that he was detaining two at gunpoint in a stolen car. As he responded, the call was updated that the suspect(s) were armed. He arrived at Lucio's location along with several other units. He saw deputies approach the suspect's vehicle with their guns drawn. The female (passenger) was screaming and the male (driver) was not following the deputies orders to show his hands. He heard the male suspect say, "No, I'm not getting out of the car. I didn't do anything." He saw a deputy attempt to open the driver's door unsuccessfully. He broke out the driver's window with his baton and opened the driver's door.



#### WITNESSES STATEMENTS:

Haynes reached into the vehicle and attempted to pull the male suspect out. He is not certain when other deputies pulled the female from the vehicle. He attempted to pull the suspect out, he ordered the suspect to show his hands and get out of the vehicle. The suspect refused and began moving his vehicle forward and then backward. [REDACTED] reached in and turned off the vehicle's ignition. The suspect grabbed [REDACTED] restarted the vehicle and kicked [REDACTED] out of the vehicle. He felt certain that the suspect was either going to try to ram his vehicle out or engage them in a gun fight. The suspect backed his vehicle and hit Lucio as he (suspect) reached for his weapon. He heard and saw Wolfhope fire one shot at the suspect from his shotgun. The round struck the suspect in the face and the suspect immediately went limp. Someone reached inside the vehicle and removed the suspect's weapon. Paramedics responded and pronounced the suspect dead. He added that no plan was formulated or discussed prior to the deputies taking action.

**Witness Deputy Djoko Van Damme** said he was working Norwalk 48, (Whittier County car) with his partner (Deputy Gutierrez) when he heard Lucio's call for assistance. They responded when the call was updated that the suspect was armed with an automatic weapon. When they arrived, they saw five or six deputies and a Whittier Officer near the suspect's vehicle. He saw the suspect's vehicle drive over a curb and heard the deputies yelling at the driver, to turn off and exit the vehicle. He took a position of cover behind the first radio car behind the suspect's vehicle. Orders were also being yelled at the female passenger to exit the vehicle. After a few minutes he saw a sergeant run over to the passenger side and pull the female out of the suspect's vehicle. The sergeant handed off the female to him and he walked the female out and handed the female to his partner (Deputy Gutierrez). He walked back and saw deputies attempting to pull the suspect out of the vehicle. He heard someone yell, "get out of the car, show your hands, or you'll be shot." He heard the suspect say, "if you're going to do it, then just fucking do it." He saw the suspect's vehicle rocking back and forth as if it was stuck on the curb. He heard the suspect rev the engine and saw the vehicle back into Deputy [REDACTED]. He saw Deputy Wolfhope fire one round from his shotgun, striking the suspect. The suspect immediately went down and did not move, so he did not feel the need to fire.

**Witness Deputy Greg Gutierrez** said he was working at Norwalk Station when he heard a radio call for assistance from Deputy Lucio. Deputy Lucio advised that the suspect was armed with an automatic weapon, he and his partner (Deputy Van Damme) responded to Lucio's location. When they arrived at Lucio's location, they saw several Pico Rivera units and a Whittier unit in the parking lot behind a blue Saturn (suspect's vehicle). A deputy (nfd) brought a female to him and he handcuffed and placed the female in the backseat of his patrol vehicle. He heard the suspect revving his engine and heard the deputies telling the suspect to get out of the vehicle. Then he heard a loud gunshot, but did not witness the shooting.

#### WITNESS STATEMENTS:

**Witness Deputy Robert Smith** said he was working unit 152E, with his [REDACTED] Deputy Wolfhope. He and Wolfhope responded to Lucio's request for assistance. When they arrived, he saw several Sheriff's units and a Whittier unit already at the location. He handed Wolfhope the shotgun which contained one round chambered. He saw a male and female being detained in a vehicle at gunpoint. He heard numerous requests from the deputies for the suspects to show their hands. He made announcements to the suspect to show his hands. Requests were also made asking the female to exit the vehicle. He saw a deputy (nfd) break out the driver's window, heard the female scream and saw the female being pulled from the suspect's vehicle. He saw several deputies attempting to pull the suspect from the vehicle. As he moved to reposition himself, he heard the engine revving and then heard a gunshot.

**IAB Note: Deputy Smith loaded the shotgun at the beginning of his shift with four, 12 gauge, Double 00 shotgun rounds.**

**Witness [REDACTED]** said she met Eddie (Suspect Dominguez) at a friend's house earlier in the evening (Monday). She characterized her relationship with the suspect as "friends" and said she has known the suspect for two years. She explained that she had an argument with her [REDACTED] and planned on spending the night at a motel. The suspect gave her a ride to the motel during the early morning hours of Tuesday. She explained that the suspect had been acting strange and was laughing at Christmas lights he had placed inside the interior of his vehicle. When they arrived at the motel, she exited the suspect's car and went to the motel office to register. No one came to the motel office and when she turned to walk back, she saw a Sheriff's vehicle behind the suspect's car. She continued to walk back to the car and heard the Sheriff tell the suspect to show his hands. When she reached the suspect's vehicle, the deputy ordered her into the suspect's vehicle. The suspect asked her, "what do the police officers want? Tell him that we just want to go home." She told the suspect to listen to the officer and put his hands up. The suspect seemed confused and was acting stupid by not following the officer's commands. She then noticed a long gun, partially covered by a sheet toward the backseat of the suspect's vehicle. The suspect kept moving his hands toward the gun trying to unwrap it. The suspect lifted the gun three or four times and she heard the suspect say, "I'm armed, but the gun isn't loaded." She pleaded with the suspect to follow the deputies commands and not do anything stupid.

The officers kept telling the suspect to show his hands or they would shoot him. The suspect kept putting his hands up and down and told the officers, "just let us leave." She heard one of the officers say to get her out of the car. The suspect told her to stay in the car and not to open the door. She attempted to open the door by pulling on the door handle, but the door would not open. The car moved in reverse. She was frightened for her safety and the suspect's safety and wanted to get out of the suspect's car. The officers approached the car and ordered the suspect to put his hands up where they could see them. She then heard a window shatter on the driver's side. She saw deputies struggling to pull the suspect from the car. The suspect moved toward the gun as he struggled with the deputies. She saw an officer trying to open her door and then all of a sudden the door opened. The officer pulled her from the car and, as they walked from the suspect's car, she heard a gunshot.

#### WITNESS STATEMENTS:

**Witness** [REDACTED] said he was sleeping in room # [REDACTED] of the motel, when he was awakened by persons yelling. He did not witness the shooting, but did hear persons yelling. He heard someone yelling, "put your hands down, or something similar." He looked outside through the window and saw lights and heard someone saying "put your hands up" and "get out" and then he heard, "put the gun down." He told his [REDACTED] to get down on the floor. He heard a car engine start and then heard the car's engine revving. He heard four gunshots and then a couple of louder gunshots.

**Witness** [REDACTED] said she was awakened by flashing lights outside and thought someone was getting a traffic ticket. She did not witness the shooting, but heard what sounded like four gunshots and then two louder gunshots.

[REDACTED] said she was sleeping in room # [REDACTED] and did not hear or see anything.

[REDACTED] said he was sleeping in room # [REDACTED] when he was awakened by loud noises. He looked outside and saw an ambulance and fire truck. He did not hear or see anything else.

**Witness** [REDACTED] said he was sleeping in room # [REDACTED] his permanent residence. He was awakened by screaming sounds and police sirens. He heard someone yell, "Put your hand out" and then he heard a loud gunshot, followed by another popping sound. He added that he stayed in bed during the entire incident.

**Witness** [REDACTED] said he was sleeping in room # [REDACTED] when he was awakened by shouting. He looked outside and saw police yelling, "Get out of the car, get out of the car." He heard a banging sound and then heard one loud gunshot. He added that a car was revving its engine and moving toward the building, and he thought the car was going to drive through the building.

**Witness** [REDACTED] said he was sleeping in room # [REDACTED] his permanent residence. He was awakened by someone yelling outside. He heard, "Put your hands on your head, and get down on the ground," repeatedly. He looked out the window and saw police officers around a car yelling at someone inside the car. He heard a loud noise and went back to bed.

**Witness** [REDACTED] said he was sleeping in room # [REDACTED] his temporary residence. He was awakened by his [REDACTED]. He looked outside and saw police officers around a car in the parking lot. He heard the officers yelling, "Put the gun down", "Step out of the car", "Put your hands up," "Put your gun down," "Get out of the car", "You could die." He heard, these commands for several minutes. He explained that when he first saw the suspect's car, the suspect's car was not parked in the stall. The suspect moved the car into the parking stall toward the motel. He saw a male and a female inside the suspect's car. He saw the female exit the suspect's car and run toward the street. Additional police officers circled the suspect's car and continued yelling, "Get out of the car," "Put your hands up," "Put the gun down," "Do you know you could die." The suspect did not obey any of the officer's commands.

**WITNESS STATEMENTS:**

**Witness** [REDACTED] said he heard the sound of a window breaking and heard one gunshot. He did not see who fired the gunshot.

**Witness** [REDACTED] said she was awakened by persons yelling. She looked outside and saw a lot of police officers. She heard the officers yelling, "Put it down," "Put your hands up" repeatedly for several minutes. She heard a window shatter, heard a female scream and heard more commands from the officers. She heard one gunshot and then it was quiet.

**Witness** [REDACTED] said she was watching television in room # [REDACTED] her permanent residence. She heard yelling, opened the door and went outside. She saw and heard police in the parking lot yelling, "Put your hands up" and "Shut up," and the male they were yelling at was not cooperating. The male in the car looked like he was trying to leave by backing the car. The male moved the car forward but was not cooperating. The police continued giving the warnings "Put your hands up," "Put your hands up," "Put them where I can see them," "Don't move them put them where I can see them." She saw the deputies take a female from the car. The police continued giving orders, "Get out of the car," "Get out of the car" but the male did not cooperate. She saw an officer break out the driver's side window and heard more commands, "Get out of the car." She heard a gunshot, but did not see who fired the shot.

**Witness** [REDACTED] said he was sleeping in room # [REDACTED] his permanent residence which he shares with his [REDACTED]. He heard someone say, "Get your hands up." He heard three loud noises, followed by a bang. He went outside and saw a lot of police officers around a car.

**Witness** [REDACTED] said he was sleeping in room # [REDACTED] when he was awakened by police yelling "Put your hands up," "Keep your hands visible," "Don't move or you'll get shot." He looked outside the window and saw officers continuing to give orders. After a few minutes, he heard a shot and then a second shot. He saw gun smoke coming from the area next to the driver's side of the suspect's car. He jumped back into bed and did not look outside again.

**Witness** [REDACTED] said he was inside room # [REDACTED] when he heard a male and female screaming as if they were arguing. He heard the police give commands, "Stop" "Drop the gun," and "stop." He heard three "popping" sounds and then two more "popping" sounds.

**Witness** [REDACTED] said he was inside room # [REDACTED] when he was awakened by loud talking. He could not make out what was being said and did not look outside.

**Witness** [REDACTED] said he was inside room # [REDACTED] his temporary residence, when he was awakened by loud noises coming from outside. He did not go or look outside.

#### WITNESS STATEMENTS:

**Witness** [REDACTED] said he was sleeping in the [REDACTED] bedroom # [REDACTED] when he was awakened by someone yelling "Get out of the car, Get out of the car." He looked outside and saw a police car and police standing behind the car. The police continue yelling "Get out of the car, raise your hands." He heard and saw additional police cars arriving. He heard glass breaking and heard a single gunshot.

**Witness** [REDACTED] said he was sleeping in room # [REDACTED] when he was awakened by shouting. He looked outside and saw the police shouting "Put it down, put it down." The police were pointing their guns toward his direction. He moved away from the window and continued hearing the police shouting "Put it down" and cursing. He added he heard one loud gunshot.

**Witness** [REDACTED] said she was in room # [REDACTED] when she was awakened by someone shouting "Hands up, hands up." She looked outside and saw police. She did not hear or see anything else.

**Witness** [REDACTED] said she was sleeping and did not look outside. She heard noises and was awakened by those sounds.

**Witness** [REDACTED] said she was in room # [REDACTED] when she was awakened by shouting "hands up, hands up." She looked outside and saw a lot of police officers around a car. She saw police banging on the car's window. She did not see anyone shoot.

#### SUSPECT'S STATEMENTS:

Suspect deceased.

#### INJURIES:

Suspect Dominguez sustained two gunshot wounds, (1) to the left side of his face and (1) to his mid-back. He was pronounced dead by paramedics at 0235 hours. See Homicide Book for detailed Autopsy Report, page 122.

#### PHYSICAL EVIDENCE:

(1) 9 mm shell casing, (1) 12 gauge shell casing, (1) Romanian made assault rifle. To review a detailed report of this evidence refer to Homicide Book, page 16 through 18.

#### INVESTIGATOR OBSERVATIONS:

Rear and driver's side windows were broken out of suspect's vehicle which was a reported stolen vehicle. Members of the Civil Litigation Unit were present and all damage was documented.

#### WEAPONS USED BY DEPUTY PERSONNEL:

Deputy Lucio fired his Departmentally issued 9MM Beretta.

Deputy Wolfhope fired his Departmentally issued Ithaca shotgun.

WEAPONS USED BY SUSPECTS:

Romar, 7.62 mm assault rifle and loaded magazine, see Homicide Book for complete description, page 17.

PROPERTY DAMAGE:

Rear and driver's side windows were broken out of suspect's vehicle which was a reported stolen vehicle.

CRIMINAL INVESTIGATOR:

Homicide Detectives Richard Tomlin and Paul Fournier.

LIGHTING OR WEATHER CONDITIONS:

Motel parking lot well illuminated by exterior lighting and street lights. Clear and cool night.

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## Officer Involved Shooting

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Report Date: <b>April 16, 2002</b>		Bureau/Station/Facility: <b>FORIII/PICO RIVERA</b>		Admin. Invest? <input type="checkbox"/> Hit? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
URN: <b>002-02696-1575-055</b>		Date: <b>APRIL 16, 2002</b>		Time: <b>0210 hrs</b>	
City or Station: <b>PICO RIVERA</b>		Nature of Incident: <b>Deputies Marc Lucio and James Wolfnope shot Suspect Dominguez, who was armed with an assault rifle, when he rammed his vehicle into Deputy Lucio.</b>			
Location: <b>11140 Whittier Blvd., Whittier County Area</b>					
Location Type (circle one or more): Backyard Beach Business Freeway Industrial Park <u>Parking Lot</u> Residence Rural School Street Other: _____	Lighting (circle only one): Darkness Daylight Other <u>Street Lights</u>	Incident Type (circle one or more): Accidental <u>Armed Person</u> Fleeing Suspect Foot Pursuit Gun Take Away Moving Vehicle Sniper/Ambush Stallie Struggle Involved Traffic Stop Unarmed Person Unintentional Vehicle Pursuit Warrant Service Other: _____		Initiated by (circle only one): Arrest Warrant Call Observation <u>One Person Unit</u> Other Search Warrant Two Person Unit	
	Weather (circle only one): <u>Clear</u> Cloudy Fog Rain				
	Distance: <b>apx. 15 ft.</b>				
Total # of Shots Fired by Deputy <b>2</b>	Total # of Shots Fired by Suspect <b>0</b>	Other: _____		Aero Unit? <input type="checkbox"/>	Canine Unit? <input type="checkbox"/>
<b>Employee Witnesses</b>					
Employee #	Last Name	First Name	M.I.	ShiftTime (circle only one): <u>EM</u> PM Day	ShiftType (circle only one): <u>Regular</u> Overtime Off Duty
Employee #	Last Name	First Name	M.I.	ShiftTime (circle only one): <u>EM</u> PM Day	ShiftType (circle only one): <u>Regular</u> Overtime Off Duty
Employee #	Last Name	First Name	M.I.	ShiftTime (circle only one): <u>EM</u> PM Day	ShiftType (circle only one): <u>Regular</u> Overtime Off Duty
<b>Non-Employee Witnesses</b>					
Last Name		First Name		M.I.	
Street Address		City	Zip Code	Work Ph	Home Ph
Last Name		First Name		M.I.	
Street Address		City	Zip Code	Work Ph	Home Ph
Last Name		First Name		M.I.	
Street Address		City	Zip Code	Work Ph	Home Ph
<b>Supervisors</b>					
Employee #	Last Name	First Name	M.I.	circle one or more: <u>On Duty</u> Present during shooting	
	<b>Knott</b>	<b>Larry</b>		Witness to shooting Involved in shooting	
Employee #	Last Name	First Name	M.I.	circle one or more: <u>On Duty</u> Present during shooting	
				Witness to shooting Involved in shooting	
<b>Witnesses</b>					
Employee #	Last Name	First Name		M.I.	
	<b>Escandon</b>	<b>Ronald</b>			
Employee #	Last Name	First Name		M.I.	
	<b>Escandon</b>	<b>Ronald</b>			

PSTD Use Only	
SH #	<b>2061419</b>

<b>Caliber</b>			
(9)	9 mm	(24)	.243 caliber
(10)	10 mm	(25)	.25 caliber
(12)	12 gauge	(30)	.308 caliber
(20)	20 gauge	(35)	.357 caliber
(21)	.22-250	(36)	30-06 caliber
(22)	.22 caliber	(38)	.38 caliber
(23)	.223 caliber	(40)	.40 caliber
		(41)	.410 gauge
		(44)	.44 caliber
		(45)	.45 caliber
		(50)	50 mm
		(SL)	Slug
		(WW)	Other caliber

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Involved Employee										
<b>E 1</b>	Employee #		Last Name			First Name		M.I.		
			Lucio			Marc				
	Sex:	Race:	Rank	Unit Assignment:		Work Assignment (Unit #, Module, etc.):				
	M	H	Deputy	Pico Rivera		152F				
	ShiftTime (circle only one):		ShiftType (circle only one):		Intoxication/Drug Usage?		Substance Used:			
	(EM) PM Day		(Regular) Overtime Off Duty		<input type="checkbox"/>					
	Hospital Admission?		Hospital Name:		Coroner Case?		Coroner Case #		Interviewed?	
	<input type="checkbox"/>				<input type="checkbox"/>				<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
	Hrs of sleep prior to shooting:		Duty Time (hrs):		Clothing (circle only one):		Other Factors:			
	5 hours				Plain Clothes no Vest    Raid Jacket w/ Vest Plain Clothes w/ Vest    Uniform no Vest Raid Jacket no Vest <u>Uniform w/ Vest</u>					
Age:		Height:		Weight:						
		510		175						
Range Qualification Date:			PPC Qualification Date:			Laser Training Date:				
Certified with Weapon Used?		Patrol Certification?		Certification Unit:		Prior Shootings?		Number of Prior Shootings:		
<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>								
Field Training Officer Emp #			Last Name			First Name		M.I.		
Field Training Officer Emp #			Last Name			First Name		M.I.		
<b>E 2</b>	Employee #		Last Name			First Name		M.I.		
			Wolfhope			James				
	Sex:	Race:	Rank	Unit Assignment:		Work Assignment (Unit #, Module, etc.):				
	M	W	Deputy	Pico Rivera		152E				
	ShiftTime (circle only one):		ShiftType (circle only one):		Intoxication/Drug Usage?		Substance Used:			
	(EM) PM Day		(Regular) Overtime Off Duty		<input type="checkbox"/>					
	Hospital Admission?		Hospital Name:		Coroner Case?		Coroner Case #		Interviewed?	
	<input type="checkbox"/>				<input type="checkbox"/>				<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
	Hrs of sleep prior to shooting:		Duty Time (hrs):		Clothing (circle only one):		Other Factors:			
	4 1/2 hours				Plain Clothes no Vest    Raid Jacket w/ Vest Plain Clothes w/ Vest    Uniform no Vest Raid Jacket no Vest <u>Uniform w/ Vest</u>					
Age:		Height:		Weight:						
		509		180						
Range Qualification Date:			PPC Qualification Date:			Laser Training Date:				
Certified with Weapon Used?		Patrol Certification?		Certification Unit:		Prior Shootings?		Number of Prior Shootings:		
<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>								
Field Training Officer Emp #			Last Name			First Name		M.I.		
Field Training Officer Emp #			Last Name			First Name		M.I.		
<b>E</b>	Employee #		Last Name			First Name		M.I.		
	Sex:	Race:	Rank	Unit Assignment:		Work Assignment (Unit #, Module, etc.):				
	ShiftTime (circle only one):		ShiftType (circle only one):		Intoxication/Drug Usage?		Substance Used:			
	EM PM Day		Regular Overtime Off Duty		<input type="checkbox"/>					
	Hospital Admission?		Hospital Name:		Coroner Case?		Coroner Case #		Interviewed?	
	<input type="checkbox"/>				<input type="checkbox"/>				<input type="checkbox"/>	
	Hrs of sleep prior to shooting:		Duty Time (hrs):		Clothing (circle only one):		Other Factors:			
					Plain Clothes no Vest    Raid Jacket w/ Vest Plain Clothes w/ Vest    Uniform no Vest Raid Jacket no Vest    Uniform w/ Vest					
Age:		Height:		Weight:						
Range Qualification Date:			PPC Qualification Date:			Laser Training Date:				
Certified with Weapon Used?		Patrol Certification?		Certification Unit:		Prior Shootings?		Number of Prior Shootings:		
<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>								
Field Training Officer Emp #			Last Name			First Name		M.I.		
Field Training Officer Emp #			Last Name			First Name		M.I.		

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## Suspect Information

S 1	Last Name <b>Dominguez</b>		First Name <b>Eduardo</b>		M.I. <b>M</b>
	AKA Last Name		First Name		M.I.
Sex: <b>M</b> Race: <b>H</b>		Street Address: [REDACTED]		City: [REDACTED]	State & Zip Code: [REDACTED]
Work Phone: [REDACTED]		Home Phone: [REDACTED]	Social Security #: [REDACTED]	Driver's License #: [REDACTED]	
Age: <b>27</b> D.O.B. <b>01-07-75</b>		Height: <b>600</b> Weight: <b>220</b>	FBI #: [REDACTED]	CII #: [REDACTED]	
Booking #		Primary Charge: <b>Deceased</b>		Secondary Charge:	
Coroner Case? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		Coroner Case # <b>181383</b>	Intoxication/Drug Usage? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Substance Used: <b>Methamphetamine</b>	
Armed? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		Apprehended? <input type="checkbox"/>	Mental Illness? <input type="checkbox"/>	Criminal History? [REDACTED]	
Vehicle Make: <b>Saturn</b>		Model: <b>sedan</b>		Year: <b>2002</b>	
S	Last Name		First Name		M.I.
	AKA Last Name		First Name		M.I.
Sex: Race:		Street Address:		City	State & Zip Code:
Work Phone:		Home Phone:	Social Security #:	Driver's License #:	
Age: D.O.B.		Height: Weight:	FBI #	CII #	
Booking #		Primary Charge:		Secondary Charge:	
Coroner Case? <input type="checkbox"/>		Coroner Case #	Intoxication/Drug Usage? <input type="checkbox"/>	Substance Used:	
Armed? <input type="checkbox"/>		Apprehended? <input type="checkbox"/>	Mental Illness? <input type="checkbox"/>	Criminal History? <input type="checkbox"/>	
Vehicle Make		Model:		Year:	
S	Last Name		First Name		M.I.
	AKA Last Name		First Name		M.I.
Sex: Race		Street Address:		City	State & Zip Code:
Work Phone:		Home Phone:	Social Security #:	Driver's License #:	
Age: D.O.B.		Height: Weight:	FBI #	CII #	
Booking #		Primary Charge:		Secondary Charge:	
Coroner Case? <input type="checkbox"/>		Coroner Case #	Intoxication/Drug Usage? <input type="checkbox"/>	Substance Used:	
Armed? <input type="checkbox"/>		Apprehended? <input type="checkbox"/>	Mental Illness? <input type="checkbox"/>	Criminal History? <input type="checkbox"/>	
Vehicle Make		Model:		Year:	
S	Last Name		First Name		M.I.
	AKA Last Name		First Name		M.I.
Sex: Race		Street Address:		City	State & Zip Code:
Work Phone:		Home Phone:	Social Security #:	Driver's License #:	
Age: D.O.B.		Height: Weight:	FBI #	CII #	
Booking #		Primary Charge:		Secondary Charge:	
Coroner Case? <input type="checkbox"/>		Coroner Case #	Intoxication/Drug Usage? <input type="checkbox"/>	Substance Used:	
Armed? <input type="checkbox"/>		Apprehended? <input type="checkbox"/>	Mental Illness? <input type="checkbox"/>	Criminal History? <input type="checkbox"/>	
Vehicle Make		Model:		Year:	

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# SUPPLEMENTAL NON-EMPLOYEE WITNESSES

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(For Non-Employee Witnesses)			
Last Name <span style="background-color: black; color: black;">[REDACTED]</span>	First Name <span style="background-color: black; color: black;">[REDACTED]</span>	M.I. <span style="background-color: black; color: black;">[REDACTED]</span>	
Street Address <span style="background-color: black; color: black;">[REDACTED]</span>	Zip Code <span style="background-color: black; color: black;">[REDACTED]</span>	Work Ph <span style="background-color: black; color: black;">[REDACTED]</span>	Home Ph <span style="background-color: black; color: black;">[REDACTED]</span>
Last Name <span style="background-color: black; color: black;">[REDACTED]</span>	First Name <span style="background-color: black; color: black;">[REDACTED]</span>	M.I. <span style="background-color: black; color: black;">[REDACTED]</span>	
Street Address Whittier Police Officer	Zip Code	Work Ph 562-945-8250	Home Ph
Last Name	First Name	M.I.	
Street Address	Zip Code	Work Ph	Home Ph
Last Name	First Name	M.I.	
Street Address	Zip Code	Work Ph	Home Ph
Last Name	First Name	M.I.	
Street Address	Zip Code	Work Ph	Home Ph
Last Name	First Name	M.I.	
Street Address	Zip Code	Work Ph	Home Ph
Last Name	First Name	M.I.	
Street Address	Zip Code	Work Ph	Home Ph
Last Name	First Name	M.I.	
Street Address	Zip Code	Work Ph	Home Ph
Last Name	First Name	M.I.	
Street Address	Zip Code	Work Ph	Home Ph
Last Name	First Name	M.I.	
Street Address	Zip Code	Work Ph	Home Ph
Last Name	First Name	M.I.	
Street Address	Zip Code	Work Ph	Home Ph
Last Name	First Name	M.I.	
Street Address	Zip Code	Work Ph	Home Ph
Last Name	First Name	M.I.	
Street Address	Zip Code	Work Ph	Home Ph
Last Name	First Name	M.I.	
Street Address	Zip Code	Work Ph	Home Ph
Last Name	First Name	M.I.	
Street Address	Zip Code	Work Ph	Home Ph

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